industrial survey there. When I read this in the papers, I just put this question.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* Are there not other geologists also who can do similar work?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* There must be.

ADMISSION—MAHARAJA'S COLLEGE—DEPRESSED CLASS STUDENTS

114. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of applications received by the Principal, Maharaja's College, Ernakulam, for admission into the Junior Intermediate Class from students belonging to the Depressed Classes;

(*b*) how many of them were admitted;

(*c*) how many of them were refused admission; on what grounds?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*) 12.

(*b*) 10.

(*c*) None. Admission cards were issued to all, but only 10 of them turned up for admission.

ANGLO-INDIAN STUDENTS—ADMISSION INTO THE MAHARAJA'S COLLEGE

115. Mr. C. J. Luiz *(Nominated):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) how many Anglo-Indian girls and boys have applied for admission into the first University Class of the Maharaja's College this year and how many of them have been given admission;

(*b*) why were the rest refused;

(*c*) how many Anglo-Indians applied for admission to the B. A. and B. Sc. Classes this year and how many were admitted;

(*d*) how many were refused admission and for what reason;

(*e*) is there any condition that in the matter of admission special consideration should be shown in the case of communities backward in education;

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(*f*) if so, are such considerations shown in the case of Anglo-Indian students seeking admission to the College Classes?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*) No Anglo-Indian girl. 5 Anglo-Indian boys applied for admission, of whom 3 have been admitted.

(*b*) Of the two, one application was very late with the marks unattested. Such an application could not be considered in the absence of vacancies. The other was refused because he was a non-Cochinite.

(*c*) None.

(*d*) Does not arise.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) Anglo-Indians do not come under the "Backward" communities. Being a small community special consideration has been shown to the Anglo-Indians in the matter of admission.

MALA CANAL—DEEPENING OF

116. Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Will the Government be pleased to state whether the work of deepening the Mala Canal will be completed in the year 1116, and for that purpose to include the item in the Budget for 1116?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* A part provision of Rs. 2,000 has been made in the Budget for 1116 (Preliminary).

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* May I take it that the remaining work will be completed in 1117?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* Yes.

KURUMALI RAILWAY BRIDGE—REPAIR WORKS ON FESTIVAL DAYS—INCONVENIENCE TO PUBLIC

117. Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Will the Government be pleased to state,—

(*a*) the number of days during the year 1115—1116 on which regular vehicular traffic was put to inconvenience along the Cochin road due to the repairs of the Kurumali railway bridge;

(*b*) whether the Government is aware that some of those days of repair synchronised with the *Sivarathri* festival and the *Pooram* festival;

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